What is claimed:

A pressure element (7) for an edge gluing machine for gluing a bandlike covering (4) or film by means of an adhesive onto a narrow face (3) of a straight or curved cross section of a board element (2) or onto a profile bar having a surface of straight or profiled cross section, wherein the pressure element (7) comprises an elastically deformable pressure face (30).

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- 2. The pressure element of claim 1, wherein the pressure element comprises a sliding shoe (7).
- 3. The pressure element of claim 1, wherein 15 deformable pressure face comprises an elastic band.
 - 4. pressure element of claim 3, The wherein the deformable pressure face comprises a spring-steel band (30).

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- A method for gluing a bandlike covering (4) or film onto a narrow face (3) of a board element (2) or a profile bar having a surface of straight or profiled cross section with an adhesive, the covering (4) or film being pressed
- 25 onto the narrow face (3) or profile bar by means of at least one pressure element (7), wherein the covering (4) or film is pressed on by means of a pressure element (7) which has an elastically deformable pressure face (30) matched to the shape of the narrow face (3) or of the
- 30 profile bar.
 - The method of claim 5, wherein the adhesive is a hot melt adhesive.

7. The method of claim 5, wherein the board element comprises chipboard, fiber board, or solid wood board.